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## MARINA DEL REY SUMMER CONCERTS WELCOMES OSCAR CASTRO-NEVES AND FRIENDS AUGUST 14

MARINA DEL REY, CALIF. – July 19, 2010 - One of the founding figures of the Bossa Nova movement in Brazil, Oscar Castro-Neves, will appear in concert as "Oscar Castro-Neves and Friends" on Saturday, August 14 at 7 pm in Burton Chace Park, 13650 Mindanao Way, Marina del Rey. The concert is presented free to the public.

Few musicians in the world today can boast a career that reflects a lifetime of accomplishments as diverse, rich and acclaimed as those Oscar Castro-Neves has achieved. Renowned as a composer and arranger for his sophisticated harmonic concepts and the exquisite texture and color of his orchestrations, he is equally well known for his distinctive guitar style and as an accomplished record producer who has worked with dozens of major artists in a wide range of jazz, popular, Brazilian and classical idioms.

Born in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Oscar at a young age helped lead the Bossa Nova invasion of the United States, playing a central role as a performer and accompanist for other noted Brazilian musicians at the historic presentation of Brazil's new music at Carnegie Hall. In 1971, he made Los Angeles his permanent home. As a solo artist, Oscar has recorded many albums, the latest of which are "Oscar" and "All One."

Sponsors of the Marina del Rey Summer Concerts are Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe, the Department of Beaches and Harbors, and the Ritz Carlton Marina del Rey. Media sponsor is KUSC FM 91.5.

The new Hornblower Café in the Park is open for sunset dining on concert nights, offering a varied selection of food and beverages. Chairs are available for rent at the concert site or in advance by calling Hornblower Café at 310-823-8400. The WaterBus, operating from seven locations in the Marina, serves concert-goers exclusively on Classical Thursdays from 5 pm to midnight. On Pop Saturdays the WaterBus operates from 11 am to midnight. \$1.00 per person, each way. The Beach Shuttle provides free land shuttle service directly to and from Chace Park on concert nights. For further information, call (310) 305-9545 or visit marinadelrey.lacounty.gov.

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